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ASSIGNEE NAME: International Business Machines Corporation

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TITLE: Audio-Only Backoff in Audio-Visual Speech Recognition System

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Application - 13 pages of Specification, 4 pages of Claims and 1 page of Abstract
3 Sheets of informal drawing(s)

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | |
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| | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA | RATE | CALCULATIONS |
| Total Claims | 22-20 = | 2 | x \$18 = | \$36 |
| Independent Claims | 5-3 = | 2 | x \$84 = | \$168 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if applicable | | | \$280 = | \$0 |
| Basic Fee | | | | \$750 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | | | \$954 |

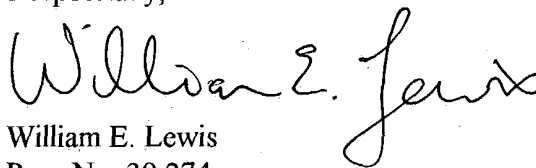
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